

MINUTES

SELECTMEN'S/ASSESSORS' MEETING

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

William Pullen Building Meeting Room

6:30 p.m.

Selectmen Present: Greg Grotton, Jim Justice, John Shepard, Lyle Cramer, and Sarah Drickey.

Others Present: Jay Feyler and John Gibbons.

1. **Call Selectmen's Meeting to order:** 6:30 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Approve minutes of Wednesday, November 7, 2018:**

Motion by: Jim Justice to accept minutes as written.

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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5. **Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated Tuesday, December 4, 2018:**

Motion by: John Shepard

2nd by: Lyle Cramer

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6. **Civility proclamation example discussion:**

John stated he sent an explanation to the Board about the commitment. He believes that the proclamation would provide stability by sending an important message to the community about speaking in a civil manner. The coordinator of the program is willing to come and give a presentation if the community shows interest. Greg agrees with John that it should move forward.

Motion by: Lyle Cramer to have John work with Jay to produce a personalized proclamation for the next meeting.

2nd by: Sarah Drickey

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7. Authorize closing of office for one hour on December 18th for Holiday Luncheon:

Motion by: Jim Justice

2nd by: Sarah Drickey

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8. Discussion on entering an RFP for LED street lights:

Jay stated that there are several programs that he is looking into that would benefit Union. He presented the Board with an example from the town of Gardiner. Lyle would welcome the change; he believes that the cost is reasonable and sensible to switch over. Jim asked about repairs. Jay stated insurance can be purchased, and that the town would be responsible for repairs, but he does not see repairs being a large issue. Greg suggested moving forward to receive a quote. Jay stated he will enter a request for proposal.

9. Discussion on 2020 budget request from the Board:

Jay asked Board members to send in their requests.

10. Town Manager's Report:

The current snow removal budget is way above the regular budget from previous years. Jay is hoping the weather will cooperate and it will equal out. Currently the backhoe and the TerraStar International are having issues. Unfortunately, the TerraStar repairs are not covered under warranty. The new Public Works employees are working out well.

11. Selectmen's Report:

Sarah inquired about the removal of the Cole Road construction signs. Jay stated the signs will be taken down in the spring.

Jim requested that going forward, the entire Board of Selectmen be present for community photos. All agreed.

12. Future Agenda Items: None.

13. Adjourn:

Motion by: Jim Justice

2nd by: John Shepard

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Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Patrick
Secretary